Jeff Palmer, MMR LSR Secretary







I joined the NMRA in 2007. Shortly after finding Division 3, I began to assist Duane Richardson with LSR website. In 2012, I was appointed to serve as the Web Chair and Publicity Chair. I worked my first convention as web master in 2013, 2016, and 2019. In 2014, the current Secretary had to stepdown due to work issues, and I was appointed as the LSR Secretary and have served in that role since.

Like many of you, my first train was a Lionel train under the Christmas tree when I was 6, many decades ago. The first layout I built was in N scale some 40 years ago. Like all first layouts, it was a great teaching tool. I learn about scenery, track laying, simple car and loco maintenance, but life happened and the layout had to go so I could focus on helping my wife raise two great kids. Baseball, soccer, RC cars, real cars, work, and a Master's Degree in Information Technology - Security consumed me for most of those years. I never lost my love of trains, and I made my way back to the hobby.

During the years since I joined the NMRA, I have completed my MMR (Volunteer, Official, Author, Cars, Structures, Scenery, and Dispatcher), which is only the first phase of my quest to get all eleven APs. Currently, I'm working on Civil, Electrical, and Motive Power; Prototype is still in the wings. I model HO logging and mining, and Prototype will be related to those interest, I just haven't figured it out yet.

I have had the privilege to work with Donna Orr, when she was Treasurer, to help the LSR become a 501(c)(3). During that time and since, I have had the privilege of serving three LSR Presidents, Steve Barkley, Chuck Lind, and now Donna Orr and I would like the opportunity to continue to serve the LSR. Please vote for me in the upcoming election.